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SUMMARY ANALYSIS OF AMENDED BILL

Franchise Tax Board								
Author: _Torlakson	Analyst: _Paul Brainin	Bill Number: AB 168						
Related Bills: AB 1040 (97), AB 1438 (93/94), SB 1289 (91/92)	Telephone: _845-3380	Amended Date: 02-26-98						
	Attorney: Doug Bramhall	Sponsor: CA Rural Legal Assistance Foundation						
SUBJECT: Low-Income Housing Credit Allocation Limit/1998 & 1999 Increase To \$50,000,000								
DEPARTMENT AMENDMENTS introduced/amended	ACCEPTED. Amendments reflect suggest	tions of previous analysis of bill as						
X AMENDMENTS IMPACT REVENUE. A new revenue estimate is provided.								
AMENDMENTS DID NOT RESOLVE THE DEPARTMENT'S CONCERNS stated in the previous analysis of bill as introduced/amended								
FURTHER AMENDMENTS NECESSARY.								
DEPARTMENT POSITION CHANGED TO								
X REMAINDER OF PREVIOUS ANALYSIS OF BILL STILL APPLIES.								
X OTHER - See comments below.								
SUMMARY OF BILL								
This bill would increase the maximum aggregate housing credit dollar amount to be allocated annually by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee from \$35 million to \$50 million, but only for the calendar years 1998 and 1999.								
This analysis does not address the bill's provision regarding the Insurance Tax Law, as it does not impact the department's programs and operations.								
SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT								
The February 26, 1998, amendramount that may be allocated Committee from \$35 million to and 1999.	annually by the California	a Tax Credit Allocation						
The amendment also removes ar (B&CTL) section to reflect the								
Except for the revenue estimate analyses still apply.	ite and position changes, t	the department's previous						
DEPARTMENTS THAT MAY BE AFFECTED):							
STATE MANDATE GOVERNOR'S APPOINTMENT								
Board Position:	Agency Secretary Position:	GOVERNOR'S OFFICE USE						
S O OUA	S O OUA	Position Approved						
N NP NAR	N NP NAR	Position Disapproved						
NA NAR X PENDING	DEFER TO NAR	Position Noted						
Department/Legislative Director Date	Agency Secretary Date	By: Date:						
G. Alan Hunter 3/24/98								

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FISCAL IMPACT

Tax Revenue Estimate

The revenue losses under the B&CTL and Personal Income Tax Law are estimated to be as follows:

Estimated Revenue Impact of AB 168							
Assumed Enactment After June 30, 1998							
(In Millions)							
1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02	2002-03	2003-04	2004-05	2005-06	
(Minor)	(\$4)	(\$8)	(\$8)	(\$7)	(\$2)	(Minor)	

This estimate does not account for changes in employment, personal income, or gross state product that might result from this measure.

Tax Revenue Discussion

The revenue impact of this bill would depend upon the amount of additional credit allocations for low-income housing by the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee and additional credits used in subsequent years upon completion of projects.

The revenue estimate reflects applied credits in the respective years and was determined in several steps. First, the dollar amount of approved credits was obtained from the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee. According to the Committee, in 1993 and 1994, approved credits amounted to approximately \$35 million annually. Assumptions were made that if the aggregate maximum total amount that can be allocated in any given year were increased from \$35 million to \$50 million, all of the credit allocation increase for low-income housing would be allocated. Second, the amount of credit applied against tax liability was determined based on information from the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee and actual tax return data for reported low-income housing credits. According to the Committee, the majority of the low-income housing credits are normally allocated in advance of project completion and would most likely not be claimed for tax purposes until the second and third year after the credit is allocated by the Committee.

BOARD POSITION

Pending.